## HOUSE RESOLUTION 248 By Kisber

A RESOLUTION to commend Miss Krista Lee Thornton for extraordinary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Krista Lee Thornton is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Chairman Matt Kisber, Vice-Chairman Tommy Head, and Secretary Ronnie Cole and the entire House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee; Krista's work resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a senior student at Vanderbilt University, where she is highly admired by her peers, Krista has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science and Communication Studies and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, she served with distinction as president of Vanderbilt Women's Rugby team, as an orientation team leader and cluster leader of Vucept, and as a member and secretary of Lambda Pi Eta, the Communications Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Krista is an "old pro" at internships; she rubbed noses with Bill and Hillary in the Fall of 1998 as an intern in the White House Press Office; she has been described as an "extremely hard working, intelligent, and responsible young woman, with a good sense of humor behind a strong task-oriented focus"; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2000 legislative session, Miss Thornton has surpassed all criteria with regard to the attributes of a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, known for her love of the fine art of whining, "the Princess" will never forget her close escapes to the clerk's office in her last minute efforts to avoid embarrassing moments in the plaza office; and

WHEREAS, though she is known as "Princess" to her friends in the Finance office, she is definitely the Queen of the Scavenger Hunt, who can not only tango with the best of them, but performs a mean "excited" dance, as well as tricks on the Pacesaver III with Sarah, her partner in crime; and

WHEREAS, though Krista stabs her food, she cannot bear to "dig in" to southern cuisine, as she has issues with certain organ delicacies of the South, and with "soup"; and

WHEREAS, hummingbirds are very close to her heart, or at least reasonably close; they crack her up; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself about the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to assist in her studies, Krista brought her many abilities and expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2000 session of the One Hundred First General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Krista Thornton has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and decorum; her "royal" presence will be missed by the House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee and Staff; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Miss Krista Lee Thornton for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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